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Dear Sir:

This paper is timely submitted in response to the Patent and Trademark Office Action mailed September 22, 2005 for which the shortened–statutory period for response *plus a one month extension for time* is set to expire January 22, 2006. Reconsideration of the application in view of the following amendments and remarks is respectfully requested.

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AMENDMENT

Please amend the above-identified application as follows:

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